



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 9, 2015**

The meeting of February 9, 2015 was held at 10:00 a.m. at The Academy Museum at 6067 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90036.

Present: Pamela Bright-Moon
Betty Haagen
Eric Hanks
Helen Hernandez
Constance Jolcuvar
Bettina Korek
Peter Lesnik
Claudia Margolis
Richard Montoya
Alis Clausen Odenthal
Claire Peeps
Araceli Ruano

Excused: Rosalind Wyman (*At the March 9, 2015 Commission meeting, Commissioner Wyman requested she not be marked as absent*)

Staff Present: Laura Zucker, Executive Director
Miriam Gonzalez, Executive Assistant
Sofia Klatzker, Director of Grants and Professional Development
Anji Gaspar-Milanovic, Director of Professional Development
Lindsey Schoenholtz, Grants Manager
Laura Guerrero-Nieto, Grants Associate
Adam Davis, Managing Director of Productions
Kim Glann, Productions Marketing Manager
Leticia Buckley, Director of Communications

Also Present: Kerry Brougher, Director, The Academy Foundation
Deborah Horowitz, Managing Director, The Academy Foundation
Bill Kramer, Managing Director, Academy Museum and External Relations
Tibbie Dunbar, Executive Director, A+D Museum
John Dale, Board President, A+D Museum
Lara Hoad, Curator, A+D Museum
Victoria Bryan, Executive Director, Arts Council for Long Beach
Marco Schindelmann, Board President, Arts Council for Long Beach

President Ruano called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Absentee Excuses

Roll was taken and on a motion by Commissioner Lesnik, seconded by Commissioner Haagen, the excused absence for the meeting of February 9, 2015 was unanimously approved.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Lesnik, seconded by Commissioner Peeps, the minutes for the meeting of January 9, 2015 were unanimously approved.

Correspondence

None.

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President's Items

President Ruano appointed the following commissioners to serve on the 2015 Nominating Committee:

Helen Hernandez, First District
Eric Hanks, Second District
Constance Jolcuvar, Third District
Peter Lesnik, Fourth District
Claudia Margolis, Chair, Fifth District

President Ruano introduced and welcomed new Commissioner Helen Hernandez, appointed by Supervisor Solis on February 3, 2015.

OGP Presentations

Kerry Brougher, Director of The Academy Foundation, welcomed Commissioners to the site of the new Academy Museum and gave an overview of the organization and its future construction and programming plans. Deborah Horowitz, Managing Director of the Academy Foundation, and Bill Kramer, Managing Director of the Academy Museum and External Relations, gave an overview of the museum's programs. Commissioners discussed diversity and engagement activities with the museum's representatives. The organization is seeking support for the Academy's public programs.

Tibbie Dunbar, Executive Director of the A+D Architecture and Design Museum, gave an overview of the museum, its relocation plan from mid-Wilshire to the Arts District in downtown Los Angeles and its exhibition and educational programs. Lara Hoad, Curator of RevealLALA, gave an overview of the project, which promotes awareness of architecture and design in everyday life. The organization is seeking support for the project RevealLALA: Reframing Latino Identity in Los Angeles.

Victoria Bryan, Executive Director of the Public Corporation for the Arts (Arts Council for Long Beach), and Marco Schindelmann, President of the Board, gave an overview of the organization's mission and its strategic planning process following budget cuts to the organization during the recession. The organization is seeking support for a marketing and audience development initiative.

Organizational Grant Program Guideline Change

Sofia Klatzker, Director of Grants and Professional Development, gave an overview of a requirement adopted in 2012 which required grantee organizations to participate in the Arts Census through LA Stage Alliance. The service had been provided free of charge to nonprofit arts organizations but is no longer available for free.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Lesnik, seconded by Commissioner Bright-Moon, to suspend the Art Census requirement from the Organizational Grant Program guidelines. President Ruano amended the motion to request a report on possible alternatives to continue to collect audience data from grantees. The motion carried. Ayes: Commissioners Lesnik, Bright-Moon, Ruano, Haagen, Hernandez, Jolcuvar, Korek, Margolis, Clausen Odenthal, and Peeps. Noes: None. Abstain: Commissioners Hanks and Montoya.

2015 Arts Internship Awards

Commissioner Clausen Odenthal gave an overview of the 2015 Arts Internship Program panel review process and reported the panel met on January 9, 2015 to review 133 applicants.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Clausen Odenthal, seconded by Commissioner Haagen, to accept the arts internship award recommendations as presented ([attached](#)), conduct the required site visits, and allow staff to make appropriate deletions or substitutions to the approved list so that a total of 133 internships are granted this year. The motion carried. Ayes: Commissioners Clausen Odenthal, Haagen, Bright-Moon, Lesnik, Hernandez, Jolcuvar, Korek, Margolis, Ruano, and Peeps. Nays: None. Abstained: Commissioners Hanks and Montoya.

2015 Ford "On the Road" Proposed Programming

Adam Davis, Managing Director of Productions, and Kim Glann, Productions Marketing Manager, gave an overview of the proposed 2015 Ford "On the Road" program, which will allow Ford programming to continue while the Ford is closed during renovations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Montoya, seconded by Commission Clausen Odenthal, and unanimously approved, to accept the proposed roster of artists ([attached](#)) for the Ford "On the Road" program for 2015.

Executive Director's Report

Laura Zucker gave a budget update and distributed a graphic outlining the Arts Commission's FY 15-16 programmatic budget requests. The budget hearing is scheduled for February 13, 2015.

Commissioner Items

Commissioner Clausen Odenthal noted the Monthly Memos are an effective way to get up to speed on Arts Commission program activities, especially for new commissioners.

Commissioner Hernandez reported she serves on the PBS National board and that the PBS SoCal Community Councils, which meet regularly, are a good way to connect with community organizations.

Public Comment

None.

The Arts Commission meeting of February 9, 2015 was adjourned in memory of Nancy Korek, Commissioner Korek's mother, at 12:00 p.m. on motion by Commissioner Ruano, seconded by Commissioner Lesnik.